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INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

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STATE: Tennessee	
COUNTY: Williamson	
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1. NAME

COMMON:
Franklin Historic District (Representative William Anderson)

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Franklin

STATE:
Tennessee

CODE: 47

COUNTY:
Williamson

CODE: 187

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____
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4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Multiple owners

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Franklin

STATE:
Tennessee

CODE: 47

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Williamson County Register's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:
Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN:
Franklin

STATE:
Tennessee

CODE: 47

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
History for Today, A Historic Study; Franklin, Tennessee

DATE OF SURVEY: _____

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Tennessee Historical Commission

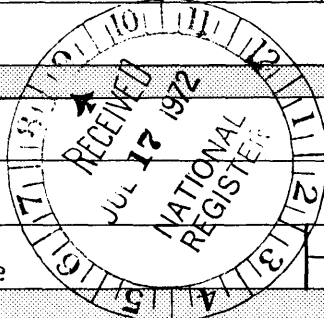
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Nashville

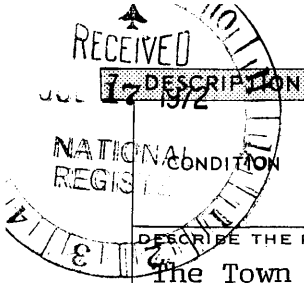
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DESCRIPTION	(Check One)					
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Town of Franklin, located 18 miles south of Nashville, contains a historic area that dates from the late eighteenth century. In the center of the present day city, a four block square area, known as the original Town of Franklin, contains a historical heritage which began at the dawn of the nineteenth century and continued through the dark years of the Civil War to the present. This area, bounded by North Margin Street on the north, South Margin Steet on the south, First Avenue on the east, and Fifth Avenue on the west, embraces the majority of the early homes and other edifices which constituted the original town layout established by Abram Maury in 1787.

In recognition of Franklin history and heritage, coupled with a desire to conserve the district, the Heritage Foundation of Franklin and Williamson County in 1970 engaged the architectural firm of Cooper and Warterfield of Nashville and Bucharth and Horn, planners and engineers, of Memphis, to conduct a survey and study of this district. This project was conducted with financial assistance from the City of Franklin, the Tennessee Historical Commission, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. A copy of the map prepared by these firms to show the significant buildings in the district is attached.

The four-block historic district of Franklin contains many structures, both public and private, that are architecturally and/or historically significant. Among the more important public buildings located in the area are the Masonic Hall and the Williamson County Court House.

The Masonic Hall, located on Second Avenue, S., is the oldest public building in town and has been used continually since its construction in 1823. However Hiram Lodge #7 of Franklin received its charter from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, December 11, 1809. The Lodge received a Tennessee charter in 1814 and today the lodge is the oldest Masonic Hall in continuous use in Tennessee. The first Protestant Episcopal Church of Tennessee was organized in this building in 1827 by Bishop James H. Otey. A treaty with the Chickasaw Indians was negotiated on the lawn surrounding this building by Andrew Jackson, John Coffee and John Eaton whose home was then immediately north of the Masonic Hall. During the battle of Franklin, Confederate spies used the roof of the Hall (since it was the tallest building in town) to ascertain what was happening across the river at federal Fort Grainger. After the battle, wounded Yankee soldiers were cared for in the building. Following the war, funds were received from the federal government to help repay damaged incurred during that time.

Today the three story brick walls have been remortared and water-proofed. The Gothic-look of this handsome building gives it a distinctive place in the Franklin streetscape.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian

☐ 16th Century

☐ 18th Century

☒ 20th Century

☐ 15th Century

☐ 17th Century

☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Aboriginal

☐ Education

☒ Political

☒ Urban Planning

☐ Prehistoric

☐ Engineering

☒ Religion/Philosophy

☐ Other (Specify)

☐ Historic

☐ Industry

☐ Science

☐ Agriculture

☐ Invention

☐ Sculpture

☒ Architecture

☐ Landscape

☐ Social/Humanitarian

☐ Art

☐ Architecture

☐ Theater

☒ Commerce

☐ Literature

☐ Transportation

☐ Communications

☒ Military

☐ Theater

☐ Conservation

☐ Music

☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Franklin Historic District embraces an area rich in history as well as buildings of architectural importance.

The Town of Franklin was recognized by the Tennessee Legislature in 1799. The original town was laid out by Abram Maury, who had bought the property on which the town was built in 1787 from Captain Anthony Sharp, a North Carolina Continental officer.

Beginning as a small frontier town, Franklin rapidly became well known as a center for the practice of law of many well-known political figures, including John Bell, later Secretary of War and a presidential candidate in 1860; Felix Grundy, who became a United States Senator and Attorney General under Martin Van Buren; John Marshall, a celebrated jurist; Thomas Hart Benton, later to become a United States Senator from Missouri; John H. Eaton, Secretary of War under Andrew Jackson; and Newton Cannon, Governor of Tennessee from 1835-39. Matthew Fontaine Maury spent his early years in Franklin.

Many important military and political events occurred in Franklin. General Andrew Jackson disbanded his troops here following the Battle of New Orleans in 1815. A treaty with the Chickasaw Indians was signed by President Jackson in 1830 on the lawn of Secretary Eaton's yard next door to the Masonic Lodge, the oldest Lodge Building in the state. The Battle of Franklin in the Civil War was one of the bloodiest of the entire war.

This bitter struggle of some six hours on November 30, 1864, left 6,202 Confederate casualties and 2,326 Federal casualties. Thirteen Confederate generals were killed, wounded, or captured, a number unequalled in any other battle. The Franklin Battlefield, the focal point of which is the Carter House, just south of the historic district, is a National Historic Landmark.

The many styles of architecture exhibited in both public buildings and private residences as described under Item 7, compose the finest concentration of such buildings in Tennessee. Concerned citizens are taking steps to insure the preservation of this district, and many of the old houses are being purchased and restored. The Franklin Historic District certainly deserves to be preserved.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bowman, Virginia M., Historic Williamson County (Nashville, 1971).

Brandau, Roberta A. (Ed.), History of Homes and Gardens in Tennessee (Nashville, 1936).

Carter House Association (Pub.), Town of Franklin and Williamson County, Tennessee Directory (Franklin, 1963).

Williamson County Civil War Centennial Committee (Pub.), Williamson County, Franklin, Tennessee Civil War Centennial (Franklin 1964).

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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SE	35° 55' 23"	86° 51' 48"				
SW	35° 55' 12"	86° 52' 11"				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 140

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: May Dean Eberling, Director of Programs
Herbert L. Harper, Director of Field Services

ORGANIZATION: Tennessee Historical Commission

DATE: July 11, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER: 403 7th Avenue, North

CITY OR TOWN: Nashville

STATE: Tennessee

CODE: 47

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

Name

Michael J. Smith

Title

Executive Director
Tennessee Historical Commission

Date

7/11/72

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Wiley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date

10/5/72

ATTEST:

William M. Smith
Keeper of The National Register

Date

10-3-72

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The Williamson County Court House was built in 1858 and was the third court house to serve the county. The large two-story brick building stands on the southeast corner of the square and is a good example of Greek Revival architecture. The four Doric columns were cast at the old foundry which was located just east of the square. The columns support a second-floor balcony and a pediment which contains a clock. The building measures 65' x 90' and the exterior form appears just as it did in 1858.

In 1871 a tornado struck the building damaging it severely, but it was restored to its original appearance. The interior of the courthouse, however, has been remodeled in recent years to accomodate those using it. The wrought iron fence surrounding the small lawn was erected when the building was built as were the wrought iron balcony rails.

There are several churches located in the district. St. Phillip's Catholic Church was built in 1871 and joins the Masonic Hall property. A small brick building painted white and demonstrating the Gothic influence on a small scale, this church dominates the corner of E. Main and Second Avenue. Other churches of somewhat significant architecture are the First Presbyterian, located on the corner of West Main Street and Fifth Avenue, built in 1907 replacing two earlier structures which were destroyed; the First Methodist Church located just across Fifth Avenue from the Presbyterian Church, built in 1871, is a fine example of Gothic architecture executed in brick with excellent windows, quadrefoils, buttresses, etc.; and the First Baptist Church, located on Third Avenue, was built in the early 1890's and is said to contain some of the finest stained glass windows in Middle Tennessee.

Of the many privately owned structures in the historic district, few have seen as much of Franklin's eventful history as has the little brick office building located on East Main Street. It is thought to have been built in 1813 and served as the office for at least two distinguished physicians. It is said the first anaesthetic successfully used in Middle Tennessee was administered by Dr. Daniel McPhail here in 1831 in treating a man for gunshot wounds. Major General Schofield, the federal commander at the Battle of Franklin, used this office for a while as his command post. In recent years it served as a law office for a colorful local attorney, Captain Tom Henderson, who was a member of the famous team of U. S. Army Tennesseans who tried to capture Kaiser Wilhelm II at the close of World War I. Today the small one-story office stands vacant.

Many very fine houses of the federal style were built in Franklin in the early 1800's. Many of these are still maintained in excellent condition. The Marshall House, built in ca. 1805, and the Eaton House, built about the same time are excellent examples of the simple urban homes found many times along the eastern seaboard. The Marshall House, located on Third Avenue, was the home of John Marshall, a prominent Tennessee legal mind, and was used by both northern and

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southern officers during the Civil War. A wardrobe in an upstairs bedroom bears marks of those days when shot and shrapnel were hurled through the town. A cannon ball struck the house but did not penetrate the thick wall. However bricks flew across the room and cracked the wardrobe that still stands where it was that day. The children there today make the fifth generation of the Marshall family who have lived in and cherished this early house.

The Eaton house, located on Third Avenue, North, was the home of John Eaton's mother. Andrew Jackson was often a guest in this house while serving as prosecuting attorney in the district and many legal "greats" were entertained there. The house has retained its federal simplicity and much of the original, but simple, interior trim remains. Today it has been converted tastefully into offices of local lawyers who own it.

Many other early houses are found in the district which were built in the 1820's and 1830's. Among these are the Baagoe Home on Bridge Street and the Pope Home on Third Avenue, South. The Baagoe house is a two-story brick with federal lines, a one-story ell on the back, and a front porch which has likely been added. It is one of three beautiful homes of the same period and likeness on opposite corners of Bridge Street and Fourth Avenue. The Pope Home is an 1822 two-story brick house with later additions converting it into a perfect Italianate with arched windows and turned porch bannisters.

There exists a fine variety of houses in the historic district built in the 1870's and 1880's following the Civil War. Examples of this period are found in the one and two-story frames such as the Haynes house on Fifth Avenue which has recently been restored by a proud owner. Another interesting house is located at 126 3rd Avenue, South. Somewhat Italianate in form, it has an outstanding tower with a wrought iron widow's walk and trim. The two-story white frame resembles others in the historic district which one might classify as American picturesque.

The Akers House, a small frame structure with gingerbread trim or steamboat gothic as it is sometimes known, is one of several such smaller dwellings. A type of bungalow was constructed in Franklin which is found strewn throughout the district. Typical of these bungalows is a house located at 218 3rd Avenue, North. The one and one-half story white frame has a hip roof with a large dormer which provides light for the upper floor.

Among the commercial buildings in the historic district which deserve notice are the structures along West Main Street. For the most part, they were built in the 1870's and 1880's with some later buildings interspersed. For example, an extremely handsome building houses the National Store and McClure's on the corner of Main Street and Fourth

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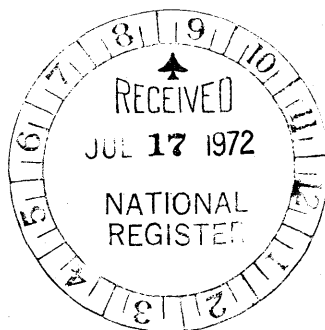
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Avenue. Although no restoration has begun here as yet, recommendations have been made by planners and architects for rehabilitating and restoring these buildings in the future.

The northeast corner of the public square, also composed of early commercial buildings, is an attractive addition to the district as these buildings have been restored and are being used for shops and offices. Attractive and appropriate signs have been designed and used as well. This corner of the Square has been an inspiration to other merchants who are beginning to restore older buildings for shops and restaurants.



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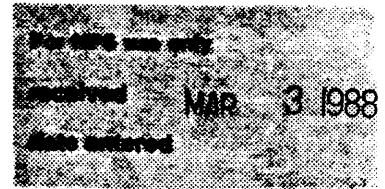
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Keeper

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The Franklin Historic District is composed of sixteen blocks of residential and commercial properties in the oldest section of Franklin, Tennessee. The boundary of the district follows the original town limits of Franklin and is bounded by North Margin Street, South Margin Street, First Avenue and Fifth Avenue. Within the district are Franklin's oldest residential and commercial buildings including the public square and courthouse. The community was laid out in a typical grid system with streets running north/south and east/west.

The original Franklin Historic District nomination was completed and approved in 1972. This early nomination was brief in its descriptive text and described primarily buildings constructed in the 19th century. Buildings constructed after 1907 were not mentioned although there are significant commercial and residential properties within the district which were constructed after this date. Many buildings constructed between 1907 and 1941 are now considered significant and contributive to the district.

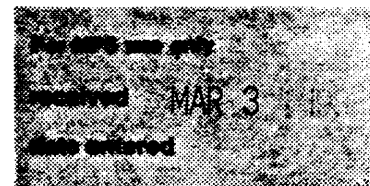
Within the Franklin Historic District are approximately 300 commercial and residential buildings. Of these, fifty two properties have been identified as constructed between 1907 and 1941 which retain their original architectural character. The majority of these structures are residential Bungalow and Colonial Revival designs built from 1920 to 1935. In the commercial area are several buildings with Art Deco detailing. The post 1907 buildings are interspersed throughout the district adjacent to 19th century structures.

Properties constructed between 1907 and 1941 which are contributive to the district:

1. 320 W. Main St. (Standard Farm Building): Two-story brick commercial building constructed in 1926.
2. 324 W. Main St. (Sparkman Jewelers): Two-story brick commercial building constructed in 1926.
3. 332 W. Main St. (Gray Drugs): Two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1926.
4. 342-344 W. Main St. (Hanner Building): Two-story brick commercial building with Art Deco detailing constructed in 1935.
5. 420-422 W. Main St.: Two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1925.
6. 415 W. Main St.: One-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1910.
7. 417 W. Main St.: Two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1925.
8. 419 W. Main St. (Franklin Cinema): Two-story brick theater built ca. 1940 with Art Deco detailing.
9. 427 W. Main St.: Two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1925.
10. 438 W. Main St. (White Building): Two-story brick commercial building constructed in 1923.
11. First Presbyterian Church, corner of Fifth Ave. and W. Main St.: Late Romanesque design church constructed in 1911.

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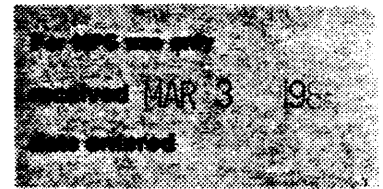


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12. First Presbyterian Church Annex, Fifth Avenue: Two-story brick Colonial Revival church building constructed ca. 1915.
13. 221 S. Fifth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence constructed ca. 1925.
14. 223 S. Fifth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence constructed ca. 1925.
15. 225 S. Fifth Ave.: One-story brick Bungalow residence constructed ca. 1930.
16. 438 South Margin St.: One-story brick English Cottage residence built ca. 1925.
17. 424 South Margin St.: One-story brick English Cottage residence built ca. 1930.
18. 258 S. Fourth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
19. 252 S. Fourth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
20. 246 S. Fourth Ave.: Two-story stone Foursquare residence constructed ca. 1920.
21. 240 S. Fourth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
22. 202-204 S. Fourth Ave.: One-story brick Colonial Revival residence built ca. 1925.
23. 401 Church St.: One-story brick Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
24. 410 Church St.: One-story brick Colonial Revival residence built ca. 1925.
25. 406 Church St.: One-story brick Colonial Revival residence built ca. 1925.
26. 140 S. Fourth Ave.: Two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1930.
27. Wiley Memorial M.E. Church, S. Second Ave.: One-story brick Gothic style church built in 1925.
28. 207 S. Fourth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
29. Church of the Nazarene, S. Fourth Ave.: One-story brick Colonial Revival style church built in 1929.
30. 318 S. Margin St.: One and one-half story stone veneer English Cottage residence built ca. 1925.
31. 316 S. Margin St.: One-story brick English Cottage residence built ca. 1925.
32. 233 S. Third Ave.: One-and-one-half story Colonial Revival stone veneer residence built ca. 1925.
33. 221 S. Third Ave.: One-and-one-half story stone veneer Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
34. 303 Church St.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
35. 305 Church St.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
36. 209 S. Second Ave.: One-story stone veneer Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
37. 248 S. Second Ave.: Two-story frame commercial building constructed ca. 1910.
38. 244 S. First Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1930.
39. 115 N. First Ave.: Two-story brick commercial building constructed ca. 1930.
40. 117 N. First Ave.: One-story frame commercial building constructed ca. 1915.
41. Williamson County Juvenile Court, 110 Bridge St.: Two-story brick and concrete jail built ca. 1940.

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- 42. 223 Bridge St.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1915.
- 43. 227 Bridge St.: One-story brick Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
- 44. 204 N. Third Ave.: One-and-one-half story frame Bungalow built ca. 1915.
- 45. 241-243 N. Third Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
- 46. 205 North Margin St.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1925.
- 47. 221 N. Fourth Ave.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
- 48. 214 N. Fourth Ave.: Two-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
- 49. 316 Bridge St.: One-and-one half story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1915.
- 50. 148 N. Fifth Ave.: Two-story stone veneer Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.
- 51. 415 Bridge St.: Two-story brick Colonial Revival residence built ca. 1920.
- 52. 404 Bridge St.: One-story frame Bungalow residence built ca. 1920.

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The Franklin Historic District is an architecturally and historically significant collection of buildings located in Franklin, Tennessee. Composed of sixteen blocks within the original town boundaries, the district contains notable examples of 19th and early 20th century architecture. Within the district are both residential and commercial properties centered around the town square and courthouse.

The Franklin Historic District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972. The nomination prepared for the district provided a brief description of the properties and their significance from ca. 1800 and 1907. Properties constructed after 1907 were not specifically mentioned resulting in some questions about the status of buildings erected after this date. It has been determined that properties within the historic district built between 1907 and 1941 are contributive to the district and the original nomination's area of significance should be expanded to include these properties.

Between 1907 and 1941 the town of Franklin continued to grow and develop as the governmental and commercial center of Williamson County. Lots containing 19th century homes were subdivided and new homes were built in the district during these years. Several fires in the downtown area also resulted in new two-story commercial buildings constructed alongside 19th century Italianate buildings. Small industries moved into Franklin in these years providing additional employment for the local economy.

The majority of properties constructed in the district after 1907 are residences built in the Colonial Revival and Bungalow styles. These houses are found throughout the district on every street often next door to 19th century residences. There are also a dozen commercial buildings in the downtown area which were built before 1941 in vernacular commercial and Art Deco designs. Altogether fifty-two properties in the district built between 1907 and 1941 have been identified.

The buildings erected in the Franklin Historic District from 1907 to 1941 represent an important grouping of contributing commercial and residential buildings. During these years Franklin's best examples of frame, brick and stone Bungalows and Colonial Revival designs were constructed as well as notable commercial buildings with detailing of the period. Few of these buildings have been substantially altered and they are significant to the growth and development of the Franklin Historic District.

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100 Block of Bridge St.
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BRIDGE STREET

Bridge Street. Circa 1950. Commercial. Brick. NC

104 Bridge Street. Circa 1930. Commercial. Brick. C

108 Bridge Street. Circa 1880. Residence/commercial. Brick. C

111 Bridge Street. Circa 1870. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

113 Bridge Street. Circa 1987. Commercial. Frame. NC

114 Bridge Street. Circa 1930. Jail. Concrete stucco. C

Bridge Street. Circa 1960. Jail. NC

Bridge Street. Circa 1950. Commercial. Concrete block. NC

202 Bridge Street. Circa 1910. Residence. Frame. C

206 Bridge Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C.

216 Bridge Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

220 Bridge Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

223 Bridge Street. Circa 1930. Residence. Frame. C

224 Bridge Street. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C

225 Bridge Street. Circa 1930. Residence. Brick. C

226 Bridge Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

303 Bridge Street. Circa 1980. Brick apartment building. NC

314 Bridge Street. Circa 1910. Residence. Frame. C

316 Bridge Street. Circa 1915. Residence. Frame. C

328 Bridge Street. Circa 1870. Residence. Brick. C

400 Bridge Street. Circa 1833. Walker-Fisher House. Residence. Brick.
C

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404 Bridge Street. Circa 1925. Residence. Frame. C
414 Bridge Street. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C
415 Bridge Street. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. Brick. C
420 Bridge Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Perma Stone. Altered. NC

CHURCH STREET

108 Church Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C
109 Church Street. Circa 1870. Residence/industrial. Brick. C
109 Church Street. Circa 1925. Industrial. Concrete block. C
116 Church Street. Circa 1950. Residence. Brick. NC
117 Church Street. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C
120 Church Street. Circa 1900 with circa 1960 alterations. Residence
frame. NC
121 Church Street. Circa 1890 with circa 1950 alterations. Residence
frame. NC
202 Church Street. Circa 1910. Residence. Frame. C
303 Church Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C
Baptist Church annex. Circa 1960. Brick. NC
305 Church Street. Circa 1930. Residence. Frame. C
403 Church Street. Circa 1875. Residence. Frame. C
405 Church Street. Circa 1985. Commercial. Concrete block. NC
401 Church Street. Circa 1925. Residence. Brick. C
408 Church Street. Circa 1940. Residence. Brick. C

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410 Church Street. Circa 1940. Residence. Brick. C

FIFTH AVENUE

North Fifth Avenue. Circa 1960. Commercial. Brick. NC

North Fifth Avenue. Circa 1930. Commercial. Brick. Altered. NC

117 North Fifth Avenue. Circa 1920. Commercial. Brick. C

North Fifth Avenue. Circa 1920. Commercial. Brick. C

North Fifth Avenue at Fair. Circa 1980. Commercial. Brick. Bank. NC

North Fifth Avenue. at Fair. Circa 1875. Residence. Brick. C

142 North Fifth Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence. Brick. C

148 North Fifth Avenue. Circa 1920. Residence. Stone. C

North Fifth Avenue. Between Bridge Street and Margin Street. 8 modern commercial buildings. NC

South Fifth Avenue. 1924. Post Office. Brick. C

South Fifth Avenue. Circa 1925. Residence. Brick. U.M. Church parsonage. C

South Fifth Avenue. Circa 1970. U.M. Church annex. Brick. NC

South Fifth Avenue at Cummins. Circa 1910. First United Methodist Church. Brick. C

South Fifth Avenue at Church Street. Kennedy House. Circa 1835 with circa 1885 and circa 1925 alterations. Brick. Now U.M. Church offices. C

South Fifth Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence. Frame. C

208 South Fifth Avenue. Circa 1925. Residence. Stone. C

209 South Fifth Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. Aluminum sided. C

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210	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1880.	Residence.	Frame.	C
215	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1890.	Residence.	Frame.	C
216	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1925.	Residence.	Stone.	C
217	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1905.	Residence.	Frame.	C
218	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1920.	Residence.	Stone.	C
219	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1930.	Residence.	Brick.	C
220	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1900.	Residence.	Frame.	Aluminum sided. C
221	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1925.	Residence.	Frame.	C
222	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1925.	Residence.	Frame.	Aluminum sided. C
223	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1925.	Residence.	Frame.	C
225	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1930.	Residence.	Brick.	C
226	South Fifth Avenue.	Circa 1890.	Residence.	Frame.	C

FIRST AVENUE

North First Avenue.	Circa 1945.	Commercial.	Brick.	NC
North First Avenue.	Circa 1960.	Power station.	Brick.	NC
117 North First Avenue.	Circa 1915.	Commercial.	Frame.	C
117A North First Avenue.	Circa 1950.	Commercial.	Brick.	NC
133 North First Avenue.	Circa 1960.	Commercial.	Frame.	Aluminum sided. NC
South First Avenue.	Circa 1900.	Industrial.	Brick.	Modern alterations. NC
South First Avenue.	Circa 1985.	Commercial.	Brick.	NC

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131 South First Avenue. Circa 1945. Commercial building with attached grain elevator and scale. Brick, frame, and concrete. NC

218 South First Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C

224 South First Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C

230 South First Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C

234 South First Avenue. Circa 1915. Residence. Frame. C

238 South First Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

244 South First Avenue. Circa 1839. Rainey House. Residence. Brick. C

FOURTH AVENUE

118 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

North Fourth Avenue. 1977. Church of Christ. Brick. NC

128 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1884. Fan Place. Residence. C

North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1875. Bennett House. Residence. Brick. C

135 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. Brick. C

136 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1838 with circa 1900 alterations. Garrett-Bridge House. Residence/commercial. Frame. Aluminum sided. C

137 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

214 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1920. Residence. Frame. C

215 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1960. Residence. Brick. NC

218 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1810. Debden Cottage/Black-Cunnard House. Residence. Brick. C

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221 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1935 with modern alterations. Residence
Frame. NC

227 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

223 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1930. Residence. Stone. C

228 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1985. Residence/apartment building. Brick.
NC

230 North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1950. Concrete block. School/day care.
NC

108 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Commercial. Brick. C

South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Commercial. Brick. C

128 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1955. Commercial. Glazed tile. NC

130 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Commercial. Brick. C

135 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

136 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

140 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1945. Commercial. Brick. NC

South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900 with numerous additions. Residence. Now
Greystone Home. Stone. NC

156 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1870 with circa 1920 dormers. Residence.
Frame. C.

203 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence/commercial. C

202-204 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1910. Residence. Duplex. Brick. C

214 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

215 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

217 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1920. Residence. Frame. C

224 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C

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227 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence. Frame. C
234 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Brick. C
240 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1925. Residence. Frame. C
245 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C
250 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1920. Residence. Stone. C
252 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1920. Residence. Stone. C
258 South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1915. Residence. Frame. C
South Fourth Avenue. Circa 1928. Franklin First Church of the Nazarine.
C

MAIN STREET

(The first five buildings are on Main Street from First Avenue to Public Square.)

East Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1980. Commercial. Brick.
NC

East Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1980. Commercial. Brick.
NC

East Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1980. Commercial. Brick.
NC

East Main Street. South side of street. 1871 with circa 1970s additions.
St. Phillips Church. Brick. NC

East Main Street. North side of street. Modern. Commercial. Brick. NC

206 East Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1890. Residence. C

East Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1815. Dr. McPhail's
Office. Commercial. Brick. C

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210, 212, 214 East Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1970.
Commercial. Brick. NC

East Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1970. Commercial. Bank.
Brick. NC

216 East Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1940. Commercial.
Brick. C

218 East Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1905. Commercial.
Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1980. Bank. Commercial.
Brick. NC

328 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1890. Commercial.
Brick. C

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1920. "M" Building.
Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1890. Commercial. Brick.
C

335 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1890. Commercial.
Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1890. Commercial. Brick.
C

339 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1885. Commercial.
Brick. C

340 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1890. Commercial.
Brick. C

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1935. Hanner Building.
Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1905. Dr. J.B. White
Building. Commercial. Brick. C

343 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1895. Commercial.
Brick. C

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West Main Street at North Fourth Avenue. North side of street. Circa 1880. Commercial. Brick. C

345-347 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1890. Moore Block. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street at North Fourth Avenue. North side of street. Circa 1945. Commercial. Stone. NC

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1899. Harrison Building. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1902. Harrison Building. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1899. Jno. B. White Building. Commercial. Brick. C

406 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1900. Commercial. Brick. C

408 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1895. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1925. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1950. Commercial. Brick. NC

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1920. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1920. Commercial. Brick. C

416 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1890. Commercial. Brick. C

419 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1940. Franklin Cinema. Commercial. Brick. Recent alterations. NC

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420 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1925. Commercial.
Brick. C

421 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1885. Commercial.
Brick. C

West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1940. Commercial. Brick.
Altered. NC

424 West Main Street. North side of street. Circa 1905. Gerry Building.
Commercial. Brick. C

427 West Main Street. South side of street. Circa 1925. Commercial.
Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. Older building with circa 1980s
alterations. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street. South side of street. First Presbyterian Church. Circa
1911. Brick church. C

West Main Street at North Fifth Avenue. North side of street. Circa 1923.
White Building. Commercial. Brick. C

West Main Street at North Fifth Avenue. North side of street. Circa 1932.
Commercial. Brick. C

MARGIN STREET

302 North Margin Street. Residence. Frame. Attached outbuilding. C

311 North Margin Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

315 North Margin Street. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

316 North Margin Street. Circa 1935. Residence. Brick. C

318 North Margin Street. Circa 1935. Residence. Stone. C

319 North Margin Street. Circa 1940. Residence. Frame. C

North Margin Street. Circa 1935. Residence. Brick. C

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North Margin Street at North Fourth Avenue. Circa 1890. Residence.
Frame. C

South Margin Street. Circa 1890. Brick depot. C

South Margin Street. Circa 1930. Commercial. Frame. C

125 South Margin Street. Circa 1960. Commercial. Frame. C

206 South Margin Street. Circa 1870. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

212 South Margin Street. Circa 1880. Residence. Frame. C

216 South Margin Street. Circa 1890. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

218 South Margin Street. Circa 1900. Commercial. Frame. C

South Margin Street. Circa 1870. Winstead House (NR4/18/78).
Residence/commercial. Brick. (C)

PUBLIC SQUARE

Public Square. Circa 1900. Commercial. Brick. C

229 Public Square. Circa 1892. Commercial. Brick. C

232 Public Square. Circa 1875. Commercial. Brick. C

Public Square. Circa 1892. Commercial. Brick. C

236 Public Square. Circa 1896. Commercial. Brick. C

238 Public Square. Circa 1895. Commercial. Brick. C

Public Square. Circa 1890. Commercial. Brick. C

Public Square. Circa 1885. Commercial. Brick. C

304 Public Square. Circa 1890. Commercial. Brick. C

308 Public Square. Circa 1901. Commercial. Brick. C

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Public Square at Main Street. Circa 1926. Roberts McGavock Building.
Commercial. Brick. C

Public Square. Circa 1858 with circa 1871 alterations. Willianson County
Courthouse. Brick. C

Public Square. Circa 1960. City Hall. Brick. NC

Public Square. Circa 1899. Confederate monument. C

SECOND AVENUE

111 North Second Avenue. Circa 1970. NC

112 North Second Avenue. Circa 1974. Commercial. Brick. NC

North Second Avenue. Circa 1970. Review Appeal Building. Commercial. NC

North Second Avenue. Circa 1960. Circa 1960. Commercial. NC

North Second Avenue. Circa 1960. Commercial. NC

130 North Second Avenue. Circa 1885. Residence/commercial. Brick. C

135 North Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

140 North Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

North Second Avenue. Circa 1945. Residence. Frame. NC

144 North Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

145 North Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

North Second Avenue. Circa 1960. Commercial. NC

North Second Avenue. Circa 1920. Commercial. C

South Second Avenue. Circa 1825. Hiram Masonic Lodge No. 7. (NHL
11/7/73). C

South Second Avenue. Circa 1975. Church annex. NC

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South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Church. Now theater. C

South Second Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence. Frame. Altered; lost integrity. NC

202 South Second Avenue. Circa 1821. Closton Hall. Residence. Brick. C

205 South Second Avenue. Circa 1930. Residence. Frame. C

209 South Second Avenue. Circa 1930. Residence. Stucco. C

210 South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

211 South Second Avenue. Circa 1886. Beardon-Robison House. Residence. Frame. C

212 South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

217 South Second Avenue. Circa 1810. Davis-Still House. Residence. Brick. C

220 South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Brick. C

227 South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

231 South Second Avenue. Circa 1880 with circa 1940 alterations. Residence. Frame. C

236 South Second Avenue. Circa 1820. E. Elbeck-Johnson Office. Residence. Brick. C

237 South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

South Second Avenue. Circa 1880 with circa 1970 large addition. Brick warehouse. Now antique mall. NC

246 South Second Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. C

South Second Avenue. Circa 1910. Commercial. Frame. C

South Second Avenue. Circa 1880 with circa 1950 alterations. NC

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THIRD STREET

110 North Third Avenue. Circa 1895. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1815. Knight-Mosley House.
Residence/commercial. Brick. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1828. Maney-Gaut House. Residence/commercial.
Brick. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1910. Residence. Frame. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1818. Elizabeth Eaton House.
Residence/commercial. Brick. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1876. Residence. Brick. C

131 North Third Avenue. Circa 1955. Residence. Brick. NC

137 North Third Avenue. Circa 1820. Residence. Brick. C

138 North Third Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence/commercial. Brick. C

202 North Third Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

North Third Avenue at Bridge Street. Circa 1850. Residence. Brick. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1925. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

207 North Third Avenue. Circa 1940. Residence. Brick. C

210 North Third Avenue. Circa 1885. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

216 North Third Avenue. Circa 1910. Residence. C

218 North Third Avenue. Circa 1910. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

219 North Third Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

224 North Third Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

North Third Avenue. Circa 1915. Residence/commercial. Frame. C

232 North Third Avenue. Circa 1910. Residence. Frame. C

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235 North Third Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence. Frame. C

236 North Third Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

243 North Third Avenue. Circa 1915. Residence. Frame. C

245 North Third Avenue. Circa 1895. Residence. Frame. C

South Third Avenue. Circa 1899. Pope-Cross House. Residence/commercial.
Brick. C

120 South Third Avenue. Circa 1822. Moran-Pope House.
Residence/commercial. Brick. C

South Third Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence. Frame. C

South Third Avenue. Circa 1849 with modern additons. First Baptist Church
(Christ Community Church). Brick. NC

203 South Third Avenue. Circa 1850. White-Proctor House. Residence.
Frame. C

204 South Third Avenue. Circa 1905. Residence. Brick. C

211 South Third Avenue. Circa 1867. Blackburn-Wilkison House. Residence.
Frame. C

South Third Avenue. Circa 1875. Residence. Brick. C

219 South Third Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Frame. C

221 South Third Avenue. Circa 1935. Residence. Stone. C

South Third Avenue. Circa 1850. Sanders-Marshall House. C

South Third Avenue. Circa 1898. Roberts House. Residence. Frame. C

236 South Third Avenue. Circa 1935. Residence. Stone. C

238 South Third Avenue. Circa 1900. Residence. Brick. C

245 South Third Avenue. Circa 1880. Residence. Brick. C

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250 South Third Avenue. Circa 1950. Residence. Brick. NC

MATERIALS

Foundation: stone
Walls: brick, weatherboard
roof: asphalt
other: wood, stone

CONTRIBUTING BUILDINGS: 213

NON-CONTRIBUTING BUILDINGS: 65

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The boundaries for the Franklin Historic District were not specified in the original nomination. However, the USGS map that accompanied the nomination drew the boundaries to include both sides of North Margin Street, both sides of South Margin Street, both sides of First Avenue, and both sides of Fifth Avenue. Generally, this constitutes the original town plan. The current updated inventory includes all of the properties within the boundaries drawn on the original map.